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## Brigade commander to discuss reintegration information with Wyoming communities

CHEYENNE – Col. Richard Knowlton, commander of the Wyoming Army National Guard's 115th Fires Brigade, will meet with Wyoming community leaders, business owners, families and residents to discuss the reintegration of 115th Fires Brigade Soldiers who returned from a deployment to Kuwait and Iraq.

Knowlton commanded more than 3,200 military personnel, including over 700 Wyoming Soldiers, during the largest deployment in state history. Their mission provided command and control operations and convoy security throughout Kuwait and Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Knowlton will travel throughout the state with experts in mental health and spiritual well being. Maj. Leon Chamberlain, 115th FiB mental health officer, and Chaplain Randy Sawyer, will discuss ways to successfully transition Soldiers from combat operations back to civilian life.

Members of the public are invited to visit one or more of the following events:

- May 19 in Laramie, noon, Laramie Community Recreation Center Multi-purpose room, 920 Boulder Dr.
- May 19 in Cheyenne, 6 p.m., WY-DOT Auditorium, 5300 Bishop Blvd.

- May 24 in Casper, noon, City Council Chambers, City Hall, 200 N. David St.
- May 24 in Lander, 6 p.m., Best Western Motel, 260 Grand View Dr.
- May 25 in Worland, noon, Worland City Hall, 829 Bighorn Ave.
- May 25 in Lovell, 6 p.m., Lovell Middle School Commons, 325 W. 9th St.
- May 26 in Cody, noon, VFW Hall (Post 2673), 808 12th St.
- June 1 in Torrington, noon, Platte Valley Bank, 2201 Main St.
- June 1 in Douglas, 6 p.m., City Council Chambers City Hall, 101 N. 4th St.
- June 2 in Gillette, noon, Presentation Hall Gillette College, 300 W. Sinclair.
- June 2 in Sheridan, 6 p.m., C-Tel Auditorium Sheridan College, 3059 Coffeen Ave.

For media interested in attending the brigade meetings, or residents interested in additional information, contact the Wyoming National Guard Public Affairs office at 307-772-5253.